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Charitable Gaming
Directive No. 9.01.01

Numeral Game (Manufacturer)

BACKGROUND

Manufacturer Rule 906 states: "All numeral game tickets manufactured for sale in the state of Michigan shall be approved by the bureau and conform to the standards prescribed by the bureau." This directive includes ticket quality standards, numeral game approval, and manufacturer reporting requirements. Manufacturers shall comply with Act 382 of the Public Acts of 1972, as amended, (Act) and the charitable gaming rules.

TICKET DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION

1. A numeral game ticket is a paper strip on which play symbols are printed and concealed by folding a section of the strip and banding the folded section with a separate strip of paper where upon breaking the banding strip the play symbols are revealed. (See Section 3a(10) of the Act.)
2. The banding strip shall be constructed of opaque stock and shall be sufficiently wide enough to cover the folded end of the ticket and constructed in a manner that would prevent the play symbols from being revealed.

PLAY SYMBOLS

3. Each numeral game ticket play symbol shall only be a number.

RANDOMIZATION

4. All numeral game tickets shall be mixed prior to any bundling or packaging of tickets so that it is impossible to determine the general location of a winning ticket based on its relationship to other tickets within the deal.

TICKET PRINTING

5. All play symbols, serial numbers, and the manufacturer's name or logo shall be printed clearly on each ticket.
6. All numeral game tickets shall be printed with a minimum of two colors on the play symbol side to minimize reproduction. Winning play symbols shall have a different color from the non-winning play symbols.

7. Ink quality shall be consistent from ticket to ticket so that it is not possible to identify winning tickets due to a difference in color, extraneous marks, or other distinguishing characteristics.

SERIAL NUMBERING

8. Each deal of numeral game tickets shall be identified with a unique serial number, not repeating for a minimum of three years.
9. The serial number shall appear on the deal label.
10. The serial number shall appear twice on each ticket; on the concealed section of the ticket, as well as the visible section of the ticket.

TICKET GLUING

11. Glue shall be applied to the banding strip in a pattern designed to prohibit peeling the band from the ticket. It shall not be possible to separate the banding strip from the folded strip without destroying the ticket integrity.

BUNDLING

12. Multiple tickets may be secured together in a predetermined quantity, by stapling, folding, banding, gluing, or other approved manner. Any bundling method and quantity shall be identified on the deal label.

MERCHANDISE PRIZE LIST & ASSOCIATED WINNING NUMBERS FORM

13. Each deal of tickets shall contain a Merchandise Prize List & Associated Winning Numbers form. This form shall be created by the manufacturer and contain the following information:
 - a. Game name (if any).
 - b. Game number. (As used in this directive, means the unique game identifier, i.e., form number, part number, etc.)
 - c. Number of tickets per deal.
 - d. Number of tickets per bundle (if bundled).
 - e. Bundles per deal (if bundled).
 - f. Winning numbers, listed in order of highest to lowest valued prize number.
 - g. Corresponding blank spaces for the organization to list prizes, the value of each prize, and total value of prizes.
 - h. Blank spaces for the organization to indicate cost per bundle (or ticket, if single) and license number.
 - i. Serial number.

PACKAGING

14. Each deal of tickets shall contain the exact quantity of tickets as approved for that numeral game.

15. Each deal shall be in a tamper-resistant package and secured with a warning seal over any glued, taped, or heat-sealed openings of the package. The seal shall warn that the deal may have been tampered with if the package was received with an altered or broken seal. The seal shall be tamper-resistant and be designed so that if a package was opened or tampered with, it would be easily noticed.

DEAL IDENTIFICATION

16. At a minimum, each package shall be identified with the game name (if any), game number, serial number, number of tickets in the deal, bundled quantity (if bundled), and any unique features of the game.

APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF NUMERAL GAME

17. All numeral games sold to licensed suppliers shall first be approved by the bureau. For each numeral game the manufacturer wishes to sell in Michigan, the manufacturer shall submit the Numeral Game Approval Application (BSL-CG-1731).

NOTE: If a game is sold in different quantities, each quantity shall be approved.

18. If the numeral game is denied, the manufacturer shall not offer that game for sale in Michigan.
19. If the numeral game is approved, the manufacturer may offer that game for sale in Michigan to bonded, licensed suppliers.
20. If changes are made to any approved or denied numeral game, a new application for approval shall be submitted to the bureau.

INVOICING

21. Each invoice shall include:
 - a. The name of the manufacturer.
 - b. The name of the supplier purchasing the numeral game tickets.
 - c. The date.
 - d. The amount of each sale.
 - e. All credits.
 - f. All exchanges.
 - g. The name of the numeral game (if any), and serial number of each deal.
 - h. The game number of each game sold.

SALES REPORTING

22. The manufacturer shall file the Numeral Game Ticket Sales Manufacturer Report (BSL-CG-1689) on a semi-annual basis. The report shall be filed with the bureau by the 10th day of the month following the end of the reporting period. The reporting periods shall be April through September and October through March.

PROHIBITIONS

23. A licensed manufacturer shall not sell or distribute charity game tickets (pull-tabs) to individuals, companies, licensed organizations, or non-licensed organizations within the state of Michigan without prior written approval of the bureau.

Signed copy available upon request

Don Gilmer, Lottery Commissioner

Date